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Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009)

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 163 appears in the report of the Committee contained in document A/64/553.

2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 29th and 37th meetings, on 4 May and 18 June 2010. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/64/SR.29 and 37).

3. For its further consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financing of support of the African Union Mission in Somalia for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 (A/64/644);

(b) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/64/754).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/64/L.53

4. At its 37th meeting, on 18 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of support of the African Union Mission in Somalia" (A/C.5/64/L.53), submitted by the Vice-Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Thailand.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/64/L.53 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of support of the African Union Mission in Somalia

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of support of the African Union Mission in Somalia[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1863 (2009) of 16 January 2009, by which the Council expressed its intent to establish a United Nations peacekeeping operation in Somalia as a follow-on force to the African Union Mission in Somalia, subject to its further decision by 1 June 2009, and requested the Secretary-General, in order for the African Union Mission in Somalia forces to be incorporated into a United Nations peacekeeping operation, to provide a United Nations logistical support package to the African Union Mission in Somalia, including equipment and services,

Recalling also Security Council resolution 1910 (2010) of 28 January 2010, by which the Council requested the Secretary-General to continue to provide a logistical support package to the African Union Mission in Somalia until 31 January 2011,

Recalling further its resolution 64/107 of 10 December 2009 on the financing of activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009),

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the United Nations Trust Fund established to support the African Union Mission in Somalia,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the logistical support package;

2. *Acknowledges with appreciation* that the use of the logistics hub at Entebbe, Uganda, has been cost-effective and has resulted in savings for the United Nations, and welcomes the expansion of the logistics hub to provide logistical support to peacekeeping operations in the region and to contribute further to their enhanced efficiency and responsiveness, taking into account the ongoing efforts in this regard;

[1] A/64/644.
[2] A/64/754.

3. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take appropriate measures to ensure effectiveness, efficiency and transparency with regard to the use of United Nations resources, bearing in mind the specific nature of the support package;

5. *Takes note* of paragraph 27 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

6. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the support provided to the African Union Mission in Somalia the amount of 184,866,900 United States dollars for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, inclusive of 174,318,200 dollars for the maintenance of the entity, 8,933,900 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 1,614,800 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

7. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 107,839,025 dollars for the period from 1 July 2010 to 31 January 2011, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2010 and 2011 as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

8. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 7 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,188,376 dollars, representing the staff assessment income of 1,681,517 dollars approved for the entity, the prorated share of 431,492 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 75,367 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

9. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 77,027,875 dollars for the period from 1 February to 30 June 2011 at a monthly rate of 15,405,575 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated by the General Assembly in its resolution 64/249, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2011 as set out in its resolution 64/248, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate;

10. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 9 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 1,563,124 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,201,083 dollars approved for the entity, the prorated share of 308,208 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 53,833 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

11. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the entity, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 7 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 11,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2008, in accordance with the levels updated by the General Assembly in its resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008 as set out in its resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006;

12. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the entity, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 11,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2008, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 11 above;

13. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the United Nations Trust Fund established to support the African Union Mission in Somalia;

14. *Decides* to keep under review during its sixty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009)".